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Richard Egan Re:

Dear Ms. Lerner:

This is a voluntary submission on behalf of Richard Egan, notifying the Federal Election Commission ("FEC" or "Commission") of a violation of the \$25,000 aggregate limit for individuals under 2 U.S.C. § 441a(a)(3). Please note that this replaces the letter which we sent you earlier today. A Designation of Counsel is also enclosed. Specifically, as a result of inadvertent errors in recordkeeping and accounting, Mr. Egan made contributions which exceeded the 1998 limit by \$6,600 and the 2000 limit by \$30,100. Enclosed is a list of those contributions and the dates on which many of those contributions were refunded, and refunds which have been requested but not yet received.

Please note that the FEC records show that Mr. Egan contributed \$1,000 to Rogan for Congress on September 28, 2000 and \$1,000 to Rogers for Congress on October 1, 2000. However, these contributions were not made by Mr. Egan but rather by his wife, Maureen Egan, and should be attributed to her. Copy of checks is enclosed. The FEC records also show that Mr. Egan contributed \$15,000 to the Republican National Committee ("RNC") on December 4, 2001. However, this contribution was originally made to the Republican Governors

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Association ("RGA"), which does not count toward the federal limits, and then misdeposited by the RNC into its federal account. When the RNC became aware of this misdeposit, it transferred the contribution to its non-federal account on March 13, 2001. See enclosed letter from RNC's Chief Counsel.

President Bush recently appointed Mr. Egan to be the U.S. Ambassador to Ireland. As part of his confirmation process, Mr. Egan became aware that he apparently exceeded the \$25,000 aggregate limit for the calendar years 1998 and 2000. After realizing this, Mr. Egan took immediate steps to remedy the apparent overage. Specifically, for the contributions that count toward the 1998 limit, Mr. Egan received refunds totaling \$11,000. Mr. Egan requested a refund of an additional \$1,000, which he has not yet received. In addition to the refunds, Mr. Egan also redesignated his \$5,000 contribution to the Pioneer PAC so that it would go to the Pioneer PAC's non-federal account. Thus, the refunds and the redesignation bring Mr. Egan's federal contributions for 1998 to \$15,600, well under the \$25,000 limit.

For the year 2000, Mr. Egan received refunds totaling \$32,000, thus bringing down his total contributions for that calendar year to \$23,100. Out of an abundance of caution, Mr. Egan requested an additional \$9,600 in refunds which he has not yet received. Although it is not required, we are continuing to actively seek these refunds and will keep you apprised of additional refunds as they are received.

In this case, the violation was not intentional but resulted from inadvertent recordkeeping and accounting errors on the part of Mr. Egan. Indeed, Mr. Egan receives an extraordinary number of solicitations for contributions from mostly charitable organizations and from some political organizations. In the year 2000 alone, Mr. Egan received over 1000 such requests, of which he made over 400 contributions, most of which were charitable contributions. It is a monumental task

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to keep track of so many requests and contributions, and unfortunately, errors in recordkeeping and accounting occurred.

Mr. Egan also took prompt steps in good faith to remedy the apparent excessive contributions when he became aware of them. In fact, in light of the refunds, Mr. Egan was only temporarily in violation of the aggregate limit for 1998 and 2000.

Thus, we request that the Commission not take any action against Mr. Egan. If the Commission decides to pursue this matter, we request to enter into a pre-probable cause conciliation agreement with the Commission.

Sincerely,

Kenneth A. Gross

Ki P. Hong

Enclosures

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The above-named individuals are hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

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Richard Egan

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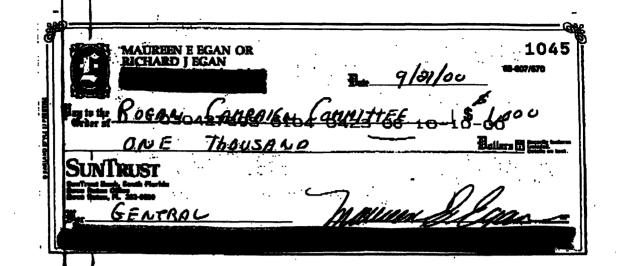
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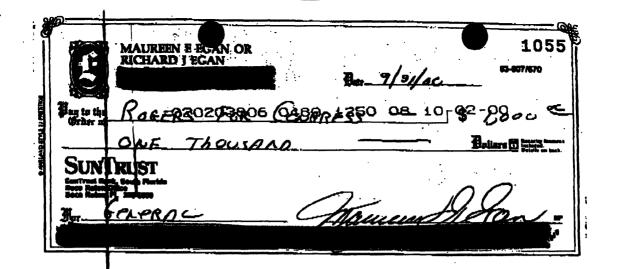
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Campaign</u>	Amount	Refund Date
4/29/96	Judd Gregg Committee	\$500.00	
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12/15/97	Citizens for Peter Torkildsen	\$1,000.00	
	Amorello for Congress	\$1,000.00	
8/7/97	Dick Armey Campaign Committee	\$500.00	
12/3/97	Citizens for Kasich	\$1,000.00	
5/27/97	Judd Gregg Committee	\$500.00	rec'd 6/30/1997
	Judd Gregg Committee	\$500.00	
	Judd Gregg Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 6/30/1997
4/28/97	Voinovich for Senate Committee	\$1,000.00	
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3/15/98	Michigan Republican State Com	\$1,000.00	
4/14/98	Citizens for Peter Torkildsen	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/15/2001
7/13/98	Friends of Wamp	\$500.00	rec'd 3/12/2001
7/2/98	Watkins for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/29/2001
7/9/98	Wyrick for Congress	\$1,000.00	
4/15/98	Amorello for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 12/5/2000
	Hayworth for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/14/2001
7/31/98	MA Republican State Congr Com	\$5,000.00	rec'd 3/19/2001
4/22/98	Marty Meehan for Congress	\$1,000.00	
4/22/98	Marty Meehan for Congress	\$1,000.00	
6/30/98	Pioneer PAC	\$5,000.00	03/14/01 redesignated
4/7/98	Chris Cox Congressional Comm	\$350.00	
4/28/98	American Renewal PAC	\$500.00	
9/29/98	Citizens for Kasich	\$1,000.00	Requested
3/6/98	Majority Leader's Fund	\$500.00	
5/19/98	Republican House Senate Dinner	\$1,000.00	
	Nat'l Rep. Senatorial Comm	\$500.00	
5/19/98	Nat'l Rep. Congressional Comm	\$250.00	
ĺ	TOTAL	\$31,600.00	

	<u> </u>	2000	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Campaign</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Refund Date
3/24/97	Frist 2000	\$1,000.00	
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6/28/99	Abraham Senate 2000	\$500.00	
5/10/99	Friends of Giuliani Exploratory Comm	\$1,000.00	
10/19/99	Friends of Giuliani Exploratory Comm	\$1,000.00	rec'd 6/30/200
10/1/99	Friends of George Allen	\$1,000.00	
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7/12/99	Chafee U.S. Senate	\$1,000.00	rec'd 5/14/200
11/1/99	Ashcroft 2000	\$1,000.00	Requeste
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7/29/99	Rogan for Congress	\$500.00	
	Armey Campaign Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 7/11/200
	Kasich 2000	\$1,000.00	
11/22/99	Bush-Cheney 2000 Compliance Comm	\$1,000.00	
	McCain 2000	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/12/200
5/27/00	Peter Abair for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/26/200
	MA Conservative PAC (young amer PAC)	\$1,000.00	
	Dickey for Congress Campaign Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/13/200
	Rehberg for Congress	\$1,000.00	Requeste
	Abraham Senate 2000	\$500.00	
	Abraham Senate 2000	\$1,000.00	Requeste
	Friends of Dick Lugar	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/27/200
	Chafee U.S. Senate	\$1,000.00	rec'd 5/14/200
	Ensign for Senate	\$1,000.00	Requeste
	Friends of John Hostettler	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/21/200
	Howell for U.S. Senate	\$1,000.00	Requeste
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	John Koster for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/23/200
	Kuykendall Congressional Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/14/200
	Friends of Clay Shaw	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/14/200
	Friends of Clay Shaw	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/27/200
	Amorello for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/27/200
	Bass Victory 2000 Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/26/200
	Rogers for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/28/200
	Zimmer 2000, Inc.	\$1,000.00	
	Re-Elect Congressman Moakley	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/27/200
	Chris Cox Congressional Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/10/200
	Federer for Congress Committee	\$1,000.00	Requeste
	Capuano for Congress	\$1,000.00	Requeste
	Capuano for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/27/200
	Fletcher for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/20/200
	Kirk for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/10/200
	Lazio 2000, Inc.	\$1,000.00	rec'd 4/5/200
	Rogan for Congress	\$600.00	Requeste

		2000 Cont'd	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Campaign</u>	<u>Amount</u>	Refund Date
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6/29/00	Roth Senate Committee	\$1,000.00	Requested
6/23/00	Armey Campaign Committee	\$1,000.00	rec'd 7/11/2001
9/27/00	Greenleaf for Congress	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/8/2001
5/11/00	Santorum 2000	\$1,000.00	rec'd 3/8/2001
5/5/00	Majority Leader's Fund	\$1,000.00	rec'd 7/11/2001
8/11/00	Committee to Elect Fred Golder	\$1,000.00	Requested
10/13/00	Ashcroft Victory	\$5,000.00	rec'd 6/28/2001
6/5/00	Paul McCarthy for Congress	\$1,000.00	Requested
6/5/00	Paul McCarthy for Congress	\$1,000.00	
	TOTAL	\$55,100.00	







Republican National Committee

Michael E. Toner Chief Counsel

March 26, 2001

Via Facsimile and First Class Mail Mr. Kenneth A. Gross Skadden, Arps, Slate 1440 New York Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20005

Dear Ken,

This letter is to confirm that the contribution made by Richard Egan to the RGA on December 4, 2000 for \$15,000 that was inadvertently deposited in the RNC's federal account, was transferred from the RNC's federal account to its non-federal account (RNSEC-Republican National State Election Committee) on March 13, 2001.

Please do not hesitate to call if you should have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael E. Toner

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